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Established April 15, 1904, by Andrew Carnegie, the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission was created to recognize outstanding acts of selfless heroism performed in the United States and Canada.

Recognition in all acts considered worthy by the Commission consists of a medal. It may also include, in acts in which disabling injuries are sustained by the rescuer, a supplemental continuing grant; in acts in which the rescuer loses his life, financial assistance for the surviving dependents; and in acts in which no disablement is sustained, grants for education or other worthy purposes in the lives of the rescuers.

Recommendations for awards may be made by an individual having knowledge of such outstanding acts of bravery, and should be sent directly to the Commission. Awards are open to all citizens and visitors of the two countries under regulations presented in detail on subsequent pages of this report.

Each recommended act is investigated as to fact and degree of risk involved and is evaluated by the Commission on the basis of results of the investigation.

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I do not expect to stimulate or create heroism by this fund, knowing well that heroic action is impulsive; but I do believe that, if the hero is injured in his bold attempt to serve or save his fellows, he and those dependent upon him should not suffer pecuniarily.

Deed of Trust

To the Hero Fund Commission:

Gentlemen: We live in a heroic age. Not seldom are we thrilled by deeds of heroism where men or women are injured or lose their lives in attempting to preserve or rescue their fellows; such the heroes of civilization. The heroes of barbarism maimed or killed theirs.

I have long felt that the heroes and those dependent upon them should be freed from pecuniary cares resulting from their heroism, and, as a fund for this purpose, I have transferred to the Commission five million dollars of First Collateral Five Per Cent. Bonds of the United States Steel Corporation, the proceeds to be used as follows:

FIRST. To place those following peaceful vocations, who have been injured in heroic effort to save human life, in somewhat better positions pecuniarily than before, until again able to work. In case of death, the widow and children, or other dependents, to be provided for until she remarries, and the children until they reach a self-supporting age. For exceptional children exceptional grants may be made for exceptional education. Grants of sums of money may also be made to heroes or heroines as the Commission thinks advisable—each case to be judged on its merits.

SECOND. No grant is to be continued unless it be soberly and properly used, and the recipients remain respectable, well-behaved members of the community, but the heroes and heroines are to be given a fair trial, no matter what their antecedents. Heroes deserve pardon and a fresh start.

THIRD. A medal shall be given to the hero, or widow, or next of kin, which shall recite the heroic deed it commemorates, that descendants may know and be proud of their descent. The medal shall be given for the heroic act, even if the doer be uninjured, and also a sum of money, should the Commission deem such gift desirable.

FOURTH. Many cities provide pensions for policemen, firemen, teachers, and others, and some may give rewards for acts of heroism. All these and other facts the Commission will take into account and act accordingly in making grants. Nothing could be further from my intention than to deaden or interfere with these most creditable provisions, doubly precious as showing

public and municipal appreciation of faithful and heroic service. I ask from the Commission most careful guard against this danger. The medal can, of course, be offered in such cases. Whether something more can not judiciously be done, at the request of, or with the approval of, the city authorities, the Commission shall determine. I hope there can be.

FIFTH. The claims upon the Fund for some years can not exhaust it. After years, however, pensioners will become numerous. Should the Commission find, after allowing liberally for this, that a surplus will remain, it has power to make grants in case of accidents (preferably where a hero has appeared) to those injured. The action taken in the recent Harwick Mine accident, where Heroes Taylor and Lyle lost their lives, is an illustration. The community first raised a fund of forty thousand dollars, which was duplicated by me after waiting until the generosity of the community had full scope. Here again the Commission should be exceedingly careful, as in this case, not to deaden, but to stimulate employers or communities to do their part, for such action benefits givers themselves as well as recipients.

SIXTH. It seems probable that cities and employers on this continent will ultimately be placed under similar conditions to those of Britain, Germany, and other European States, and required to provide against accidents to employees. Therefore, the Commission, by a two-thirds vote, may devote any surplus that accrues beyond providing for heroes and their dependents (which provision must never be abandoned) to such other modes of benefiting those in want, chiefly caused through no fault of their own (such as drunkenness, laziness, crimes, etc.) but through exceptional circumstances, in such manner and to such extent as the Commission thinks advisable and likely to do more good than if such sums were given to those injured by accident, where the latter may be suitably provided for by law, or otherwise.

SEVENTH. The field embraced by the Fund is the United States of America, the Dominion of Canada, the Colony of Newfoundland, and the waters thereof. The sea is the scene of many heroic acts. No action more heroic than that of doctors and nurses volunteering their services in the case of epidemics. Railroad employees are remarkable for heroism. All these and similar cases are embraced. Whenever heroism is displayed by man or woman in saving human life, the Fund applies.

EIGHTH. No personal liability will attach to members for any act of the Commission. The Commission has power to fill vacancies.

NINTH. The Commission has full power to sell, invest, or reinvest all funds; to employ all officials, including Secretary, traveling agents to visit and oversee beneficiaries, etc., and to fix their compensation. Members of the Commission shall be reimbursed all expenses incurred, including traveling expenses

attending meetings. The President shall be granted such honoraria as the Commission thinks proper and as he can be prevailed upon to accept.

TENTH. An annual report, including a detailed statement of sums and medals granted and the reasons therefor, shall be made each year and published in at least one newspaper in the principal cities of the countries embraced by the Fund. A finely executed roll of the heroes and heroines shall be kept displayed in the office at Pittsburgh.

New York, March 12th, 1904

Andrew Carnegie

Witness Louise Whitfield Carnegie

The Carnegie Medal





The Carnegie Medal is awarded to one who, at the risk of his own life, saves or attempts to save the life of another person.

Mr. Carnegie's embossed profile dominates the front of the medal. On the reverse side in low relief are shown the geographical outlines of the United States and Canada, the countries to which the Fund applies. In higher relief the seals of these countries are shown, with the United States below the inscription plate, and Canada and Newfoundland at the top left and right of it, respectively.

Relief work surrounding the inscription plate reveals a sprig of laurel underneath and sprigs of ivy, oak, and thistle at the top. Laurel typifies glory; ivy, friendship; oak, strength; and thistle, persistency. Encircling the relief work is a quotation from the New Testament (John XV, 13): "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

Requirements for a Carnegie Medal

There must be conclusive evidence that the person performing the act voluntarily risked his own life to an extraordinary degree in saving or attempting to save the life of another person, or voluntarily sacrificed himself in a heroic manner for the benefit of others.

The act of rescue must be one in which no full measure of responsibility exists between the rescuer and the rescued.

The act must have been performed in the United States, Canada, or the waters thereof and must be brought to the attention of the Commission within two years of the date of the rescue.

Persons *not* eligible for awards are: those whose duties in following their regular vocations require them to perform such acts, unless the rescues are clearly beyond the line of duty; members of the armed services; children considered by the Commission to be too young to comprehend the risks involved; and members of the same family, except in cases of outstanding heroism where the rescuer loses his or her life or is severely injured.

Awards

A medal is presented to the person performing the act or, in case of death, to the widow, widower, or the next of kin.

When a rescuer loses his life in performance of an act, contributions may be made toward the livelihood of the widow until she remarries; and contributions may also be made toward the support and education of the deceased rescuer's children. If the rescuer is disabled in the performance of the act, periodic contributions may be made to his livelihood. If the rescuer be uninjured, a monetary grant may nevertheless be made, should the Commission deem such gift desirable.

The benefits to be paid and the manner of payment are determined by the Commission after consideration of the circumstances of each awardee. Continuing benefits are paid only if there is clear need for such assistance and only if such benefits are soberly and properly used and the recipients remain respectable members of their communities.

Heroic acts recognized during 1987

Lloyd Adams rescued James A. Drew from burning, Elmira, New York, August 29, 1986. Drew, 38, was in his second-floor bedroom when fire broke out in that room. A neighbor, Adams, 74, retired, saw smoke coming from the house; he entered and ran upstairs to the second floor. He opened Drew's door and was met by heavy smoke, which forced him back. Despite having no visibility in the smoke, Adams crawled into the room and felt Drew lying on the floor. Adams stood and, grasping Drew by the arm, dragged him from the room and started to pat out the flames on his trousers. Adams then carried Drew downstairs and outside to safety. Drew was hospitalized for extensive and severe burns and died two weeks later. Adams recovered from minor burns on his hands.

Erwin H. Babb attempted to save Jarred F. Preston from burning, Tyler, Texas, March 27, 1986. In a highway accident, Jarred, eight months old, was pinned in the rear seat of a car driven by his mother. Gasoline from the car's fuel tank flowed onto the highway as Babb, 37, minister, ran to the car and, standing in the gasoline, opened the passenger door. Babb had just moved the front seat forward to gain access to Jarred when the gasoline ignited. Babb's clothing caught fire; he rolled on the ground to extinguish the flames. Another man entered the car through its driver's door and removed Jarred. Babb was hospitalized three weeks for second- and third-degree burns to 30 percent of his body, and he recovered.

Lucille Babcock rescued a woman from assault, Little Rock, Arkansas, July 29, 1987. A 22-year-old woman screamed as she was being assaulted by a man outside her home. Miss Babcock, 65, writer, saw the assault from her nearby apartment. Although she was disabled, requiring back and leg braces, Miss Babcock approached the assailant and beat him with her cane. The assailant then turned on Miss Babcock, allowing the younger woman to escape. The assailant struck Miss Babcock, then fled. Men in the neighborhood captured the assailant and held him for police. The younger woman was treated for multiple injuries, and she recovered. Miss Babcock recovered from exhaustion.

James R. Barkley rescued Ruth D. Lustik from assault, Texarkana, Texas, January 21, 1987. Miss Lustik, 36, was abducted at gunpoint by a man in the restaurant of a motor inn where she worked. When Barkley, 26, a cook at the restaurant, learned of the incident, he pursued the assailant and confronted him in one of the motor inn's corridors. Although the assailant threatened him, Barkley charged the assailant and grappled with him, allowing Miss Lustik to flee. During the struggle, Barkley was shot once in the chest. Another man then helped to subdue the assailant. Barkley was hospitalized overnight for treatment of his wound.

Phillip E. Bass rescued Miranda L. McMillan from a runaway automobile, Chattahoochee, Florida, March 23, 1987. Miranda, 2, was alone in the front seat of a car which left the parking lot of a store and began to roll downhill on a highway. Bass, 26, merchant, ran from the store, caught up with the car, and grasped the handle of the driver's door. The car, its speed increasing, pulled Bass along, but he managed to open the door. Unable to enter the fast-moving car, Bass turned its steering wheel, causing the car to strike a guardrail, which it mounted, and stop. Bass fell and slid along the pavement. He required treatment for cuts and bruises, from which he recovered.

Michael Bell rescued Amanda F. Pascoe from burning, Portland, Oregon, February 3, 1987. Amanda, 3, was inside her family's one-story, wooden house when fire broke out in the living room. Working on the roof of the house, Bell, 39, contractor, heard Amanda's mother call for help. Bell entered the house through its front door but was forced out by intense heat and thick smoke. Using his shirt, which he wrapped around his arm, as a shield, Bell crawled back into the house and heard Amanda crying. Despite limited visibility and nearby flames, Bell crawled about nine feet to Amanda. He grabbed her and crawled back to the door, then outside, clutching her to his body with one arm. Amanda was hospitalized for burns; she recovered. Bell sustained minor burns from which he also recovered.

Joy Bellamy helped to rescue James L. Whitley, Jr., from assault, Houston, Texas, April 20, 1986. Whitley, 26, police officer, was arresting two men outside a restaurant when one of them punched him in the face and the other jumped on his back and took him to the sidewalk. The men kicked Whitley in the head and tried to pull his revolver from its holster. Mrs. Bellamy, 28, waitress at the restaurant, ran to Whitley and struggled with one of his assailants to prevent him from seizing Whitley's gun while another waitress attempted to fight off the other assailant. The assailants turned and fled, one on foot and the other in a patrol car. Whitley suffered cuts and bruises, from which he recovered.

Ralph R. Bemis rescued Lester N. Desrosiers from burning, Medway, Massachusetts, December 5, 1986. Desrosiers, 26, lay semi-conscious in his burning pickup truck after a highway accident at night. Bemis, 29, contractor, who lived nearby, heard the accident; he ran to the driver's door of the truck, but flames and intense heat prevented him from opening it. He then ran to the passenger door, which he opened. Despite intense heat and flames inside the cab, Bemis grasped Desrosiers, whose boots and trousers were aflame, and pulled him from the truck. Bemis dragged Desrosiers to safety, then extinguished the flames on him with his hands. Desrosiers was hospitalized for severe burns and other injuries, and he recovered.

61591-7116

Douglas G. Bent saved Eric M. Tschudi from drowning, Stuart, Florida, September 6, 1986. Eric, 17, was a passenger in a car that, in a highway accident, left a bridge and submerged, upside down, in the 12-foot-deep water of the Indian River. Unable to escape the car, Eric lost consciousness. Bent, 30, helicopter mechanic, who was nearby, ran to the water's edge, jumped in, and swam 100 feet to where the car had sunk. Hampered by poor visibility and a strong current, Bent dived several times to the car before he was able to open its passenger door. Using his body to keep the door open against the current, Bent reached inside and pulled Eric out. He surfaced with Eric and, with others, took him to the bank. Eric was revived and, after hospitalization, he recovered.

Robert Stephen Better saved Lily Fowler from burning, Richmond, California, April 2, 1986. Mrs. Fowler, 80, lost control of her car while driving through a service station's car wash. The car crashed into other vehicles and came to rest against a wall of the service station after shearing off a fuel pump. Escaping gasoline caught fire, as did Mrs. Fowler's car. Better, 29, saw Mrs. Fowler trapped in her burning car. He broke the car's passenger window with a piece of concrete, then, despite intense heat near the car and the presence of gasoline on the ground nearby, ran to the car and pulled Mrs. Fowler through the window. Better dragged her several feet from the burning car before receiving help from others.

Ray E. Blankenship saved Jessica L. O'Connell from drowning, Andover, Ohio, July 2, 1987. Jessica, 2, was carried away by the fast-flowing water of a drainage ditch swollen by heavy rain. Blankenship, 36, security guard, saw her from his nearby house and ran to the ditch. Although he could not swim, Blankenship jumped into the ditch and immediately lost his footing. Submerged, he was tossed about by the current, but he reached out and grasped Jessica. Pushed against a railroad bridge, Blankenship regained his footing and carried Jessica from the ditch. Both required hospital treatment for effects of the ordeal.

James Bolling, Jr., rescued Vilmaris Rivera from assault, New York, New York, November 29, 1986. Vilmaris, 4, was in a subway station with her family when a man armed with a utility knife grabbed her and placed the knife to her throat. Passing by at street level, Bolling, 33, house painter, heard screams and ran into the station. He began to approach and speak calmly to the assailant, who warned him to stay away. Bolling, however, continued, and after several minutes he grabbed the assailant's knife hand. A struggle between Bolling and the assailant ensued, during which Vilmaris escaped. The assailant, still armed with the knife, then chased Bolling before he was apprehended by arriving police. Vilmaris was hospitalized for her injuries.

61555-7158

Tommie Dean Brandt helped to rescue Valerie M. Allen from assault, Tacoma, Washington, March 21, 1987. At night, Miss Allen, 23, was being attacked in a parking lot by a man armed with a knife. Brandt, 34, plastics and rubber fabricator, heard her scream and, accompanied by another man, ran to where the assailant had pinned Miss Allen to the ground and was attempting to stab her. Confronted by Brandt, the assailant got up from Miss Allen and lunged at Brandt, stabbing him in the chest. The other man pulled Miss Allen out of the assailant's reach. The assailant fled in his pickup truck after attempting to run down Miss Allen and her rescuers. Miss Allen and Brandt required hospital treatment for their stab wounds, and they recovered.

Kelli Lea Brooks died attempting to save Christopher S. Lawrence from being struck by a moving vehicle, Seminole, Texas, December 17, 1985. At dusk, Christopher, 3, ran from the edge of a street into the path of an approaching tractor-trailer. Kelli, 13, student, immediately ran after him. She waved her arms to signal the truck's driver to stop, but the truck could not be stopped in time to avoid hitting both children. Christopher was hospitalized with a skull fracture, and he recovered. Kelli's injuries were fatal.

60965-7096

Jack G. Bunch helped to save Cheryl A. Beatty from drowning, Elkhart, Indiana, April 30, 1987. Miss Beatty, 29, was in a boat with several other people when the boat sank in the middle of the St. Joseph River. Miss Beatty, who was pregnant, called for help as the current began to carry her downstream. Bunch, 52, janitor, who was on a bank of the river, removed his shoes and jumped into the water. He swam to Miss Beatty and, as she clung to his shirt, began to swim toward the bank with her in tow. Miss Beatty pulled Bunch under water once, but he continued to tow her toward shore. Before he could make it in, he became exhausted and called for help. A man swam one end of a rope to Bunch, and, with Miss Beatty still clinging to him, they were pulled in by persons on the bank.

61953-7178

Patrick Gerard Burns attempted to save Bryan T. Cole from being struck by a moving vehicle, Brooklyn, New York, May 31, 1986. Bryan, 1, wandered away from his parents and walked onto a busy street. Burns, 25, seminarian, who was nearby, saw him and, as a car was approaching, immediately ran after him. Just before Burns could reach Bryan, both were struck by the car. Bryan required hospital treatment for multiple cuts and bruises. Burns was hospitalized for multiple abrasions and bruises and a compound fracture to his ankle, which required corrective surgery and subsequent therapy.

61287-7073

Joe Max Burton helped to save Phillip L. Clark from drowning, Bald Knob, Arkansas, February 28, 1987. Phillip, 9, was a passenger in a pickup truck that was swept from a bridge into flood waters of Glaze Creek. He was car-

ried about 200 feet downstream by the swift current but established a hold on a tree limb. Burton, 24, and another man heard Phillip's cries for help. Although he was partially disabled, Burton jumped into the creek and, in the darkness, swam to Phillip. He held onto Phillip and maneuvered against the current back toward the bridge. Meanwhile, the other man waded into the creek and met Burton and Phillip. Burton passed Phillip to the other man, who then carried him to dry land, Burton following. Phillip required hospital treatment for hypothermia but recovered. Burton was cold and exhausted, but he too recovered.

Joseph Campesino III helped to save Weston C. Roberts and Timothy W. Swieckowski from drowning, Fort Collins, Colorado, April 12, 1986. Weston, 10; Timothy, 11, and two other boys were on a paddle boat on Lake Sherwood when the boat took on water and sank. The boys cried for help and struggled toward the bank. Nearby, Campesino, 33, heard the boys and ran to the lake. Despite being disabled, Campesino entered the lake, swam 300 feet to Weston and Timothy, and pulled them to the surface of the water. A struggle ensued, during which Campesino, exhausted, submerged. Others entered the water with a boat and pulled Campesino and the boys aboard; they took them to the bank. The boys were uninjured, but Campesino was hospitalized overnight and treated for exhaustion and hypothermia, from which he recovered.

61096-7091

Aaron L. Carter rescued Lenora Sanders from burning, Lexington, Kentucky, February 26, 1987. Miss Sanders, 22, was in a bedroom of her apartment when fire erupted in another room. Carter, 34, sanitation worker, and two co-workers who were in the neighborhood learned of the fire and went to the apartment building. After two men entered the apartment for Miss Sanders but withdrew because of dense smoke, Carter entered the apartment, but he too was forced out by the smoke, which precluded visibility, and heat. He entered a second time, found Miss Sanders, and carried her out of the apartment. Miss Sanders was hospitalized for first- and seconddegree burns, and she recovered. 61800-7147

Clifford A. Chaffee rescued Michael J. Earles from burning, Long Beach, California, May 23, 1986. Michael, 4, stood in the smoke-filled hall of his family's one-story house after flames had broken out in a nearby bedroom. A neighbor, Chaffee, 70, chief petty officer, U.S. Navy, retired, was alerted; he opened the front door of the house and was met by hot, black smoke. Dropping to his hands and knees, Chaffee crawled 20 feet in the hall, in which there was no visibility, and bumped into Michael. He pulled Michael to the floor, then crawled back to the door and outside with him. Michael recovered from second- and third-degree burns. 61743-7142

Edward Lee Clark died attempting to save Richard J. Sparkman from drowning, Manalapan, Florida, March 30, 1986. While wading in the Atlantic Ocean, Richard, 14, became caught in a strong current and was carried away from the beach. He called for help. Having helped others from the current earlier, Clark, 36, truck driver, who was on an outing at the beach with his family, entered the water and began to swim toward Richard, as did another man. The other man swam with Richard to shallow water, where they were helped to shore. Clark was carried beyond Richard by the current, and he drowned.

Joel C. Clark saved Richard F. Rhone from burning, Douglasville, Georgia, July 15, 1987. Secured in a car seat, Richard, 1, was trapped in the back seat of a burning car after a highway accident. Although injured in the same accident, Clark, 26, insurance agent, ran from his car to the passenger side of the burning car and leaned through the front window in an attempt to remove Richard. Unsuccessful, Clark opened the passenger door, entered the car, and, despite nearby flames, unfastened the harness securing Richard. He then exited the car holding Richard shortly before the car was engulfed in flames. Richard was treated at the hospital for his injuries, and he recovered.

Marianne R. Coleman helped to save Richard G. Bennett from burning, Greece, New York, November 12, 1985. Bennett, 26, was rendered unconscious when his car crashed into a tree at night. Flames broke out in the engine area and soon entered the interior of the car under the dashboard. Driving nearby, Mrs. Coleman, 26, medical secretary, stopped at the scene of the accident and ran to the burning car, as did her husband. After her husband saved a passenger from the other side of the car, Mrs. Coleman reached through the opened driver's window and held Bennett's head away from the flames as her husband dislodged Bennett's legs from the wreckage. Mrs. Coleman and her husband then pulled Bennett through the window. After they had dragged him a few feet away, flames quickly filled the car's interior. Bennett suffered multiple injuries as a result of the crash. Mrs. Coleman recovered from minor smoke inhalation. 61018-7078

Terrance W. Coleman saved Stephen G. Simon and helped to save Richard G. Bennett from burning, Greece, New York, November 12, 1985. Simon, 25, and Bennett, 26, were rendered unconscious when their car crashed into a tree at night. Flames broke out in the engine area. Driving nearby, Coleman, 30, an off-duty police officer, saw the burning car and stopped. His wife, who was following in another car, also stopped. Coleman ran to the car and pulled Simon through its opened passenger window, then carried him away. With flames entering the interior of the car near the dashboard, Coleman leaned inside through the driver's window and dislodged Bennett's legs from the wreckage while his wife held Bennett's head away from the flames.

Together they pulled Bennett out of the car. After they had dragged him a few feet away, flames quickly filled the car's interior. Simon and Bennett suffered multiple injuries as a result of the crash. Coleman recovered from minor smoke inhalation.

61017-7077

William Collins, Jr., rescued Isobel M. Monahan from burning, San Diego, California, May 2, 1986. Mrs. Monahan, 46, was unable to escape her three-story condominium when fire broke out. Working nearby, Collins, 35, news-paper delivery driver, saw smoke and drove to the scene, where he saw that the condominium was on fire. Hearing Mrs. Monahan call for help, Collins broke a sliding glass door and crawled into the living room. Despite intense heat and dense smoke inside, Collins located Mrs. Monahan and extinguished flames in her hair. He then dragged her several feet to the condominium's front door, which was double locked. After unlocking the door, Collins dragged Mrs. Monahan outside. Mrs. Monahan was hospitalized for extensive burns. Collins was treated at the scene for smoke inhalation, and he recovered.

Kevin Michael Condon helped to rescue Susan M. Elledge from burning, Petaluma, California, July 13, 1985. Following a highway accident, Mrs. Elledge, 32, was trapped beneath the dashboard of a small pickup truck that was covered with debris, some of which was burning. While clearing the debris from the pickup to reach its driver, Condon, 36, tree surgeon, and another man discovered Mrs. Elledge. In rapidly increasing flames and heat, which caused a service revolver in the glove compartment to fire, Condon and the other man reached through the passenger window and pulled Mrs. Elledge, her hair aflame, from the pickup. The cab was shortly engulfed in flames. Mrs. Elledge was treated for second-degree burns, and she recovered.

Sean Costain rescued Daniel B. Lloyd from an attacking bear, Bella Coola, British Columbia, October 12, 1985. Lloyd, 21, working in a remote area, was returning to camp with a co-worker when he was attacked by a large grizzly bear, which knocked him to the ground and bit him. The co-worker, Costain, 23, compassman, hid behind a tree but, on seeing the attack, stepped toward the bear, shouting and waving his arms to distract it. The bear then charged Costain and attacked him, biting him on the hand. Abruptly, the bear broke off its attack and left the scene. Costain and Lloyd walked to their camp and were flown to a hospital. Lloyd was treated for wounds to his head and neck, and Costain for wounds to his hand and leg, from which he recovered.

John Robert Covington rescued William W. Song from assault, Mount Vernon, New York, August 5, 1985. When Song, 45, was attacked by a man wielding a hatchet, he fled into a nearby bank. The assailant pursued him and resumed the attack inside the bank. A bank customer, Covington, 52,

real estate salesman, threw a chair toward the assailant to distract him and ordered the assailant to leave Song alone. The assailant then turned on Covington, allowing Song to flee. Covington was struck by the hatchet as he and the assailant fought for control of the weapon, and the assailant bit Covington on an eyelid severely. Police arrived shortly and arrested the assailant. Covington's eyelid required sutures; he recovered. Song was hospitalized for treatment of his extensive wounds.

60596-7099

Gerald D. Crowley rescued David M. Poole from assault, Holyoke, Massachusetts, May 18, 1986. Poole, 37, a police officer patrolling a resort complex, was attacked by a mob of unruly youths, one of whom wrestled him to the ground and was attempting to remove his gun from its holster. Crowley, 35, assistant operations foreman at the complex, heard the commotion and ran to the scene, where he found a crowd watching the assault. Undeterred, Crowley dived into the fray and wrestled with the assailant who was attempting to get Poole's gun. During the struggle, Crowley was kicked and punched by the assailants. Shortly, the assailants fled. Poole required hospital treatment for cracked ribs, and Crowley for a chest contusion, from which he recovered.

Mary Crowley saved Joan M. Davis, Anna M. Gilmour, and Joyce O'Meara from drowning, Flagler Beach, Florida, September 15, 1986. Mrs. Davis, 50, and Mrs. Gilmour, 51, were swimming in the Atlantic Ocean when they were caught in a current, against which they could not return to shore. They called for help. On the beach, Mary, 14, high school student, saw that the women needed assistance; she entered the water for them, as did Mrs. O'Meara, 49. Mary swam to Mrs. Davis and helped her return to shore. She then swam to Mrs. Gimour, put an arm around her, and swam back to shore, pulling her. Mrs. O'Meara, meanwhile, had become fatigued and needed assistance herself. Mary swam to Mrs. O'Meara and took her back to shore. The three women, taken to the hospital for observation, were exhausted, but they fully recovered.

William Davis rescued Patrick R. O'Malley from assault, Sacramento, California, January 30, 1987. At night, O'Malley, 21, a police officer, was assaulted in an alley by a man he was attempting to arrest. When the man grabbed O'Malley's gun, a struggle for control of it ensued. Davis, 47, rental counselor, at work in a nearby office, ran to O'Malley, who was then on the ground with the assailant atop him. O'Malley asked for help. Davis grasped the assailant around the neck, forcing him to relinquish control of the gun. He then pulled the assailant off O'Malley. Arriving police subdued the assailant and arrested him. O'Malley recovered from minor injuries.

61955-7171

Robert E. Dean died saving Todd A. MacMillan from drowning, Carmelby-the-Sea, California, March 11, 1987. Todd, 9, was on a small surfboard

in the Pacific Ocean near the beach when a strong current carried him seaward. Dean, 30, materiels handler, who was nearby on the beach, ran into the water and swam to Todd. Holding onto the surfboard, Dean and Todd kicked toward shore. Dean then gave Todd a push, enabling him to ride a wave to shallow water. Appearing fatigued, Dean submerged and surfaced several times. He was later recovered by rescuers but could not be revived.

61806-7145

Joseph Duy Khanh Do died attempting to save Nga Nguyen from drowning, Bakersfield, California, August 31, 1986. Miss Nguyen, 18, who was on an outing with relatives and friends, slipped from a rock along the bank of the Kern River. She fell into the swiftly flowing river and called for help as she was carried downstream. Do, 20, college student, immediately jumped into the river and swam to her. Miss Nguyen clung to Do as they were carried downstream into a series of rapids, where they soon submerged. Their bodies were later recovered.

61384-7074

Bernard Joseph Duke helped to rescue Bernard J. LeBlanc from burning, Bathurst, New Brunswick, July 30, 1985. After a highway accident, LeBlanc, 27, was pinned, unconscious, in the driver's seat of his car. Duke, 55, mechanic, witnessed the accident, then went to LeBlanc's car, where he and another man attempted to remove LeBlanc. Joined by a third man, they pulled the driver's door partially open, but before they could remove LeBlanc, the car's fuel tank exploded, engulfing the car in flames. LeBlanc was thrown out of the car, and Duke and the other men were knocked to the ground. Duke and the other men returned to the car, grabbed LeBlanc, who was aflame, and pulled him away; they then extinguished his flames. LeBlanc suffered third-degree burns over 65 percent of his body and required extensive hospitalization.

Stephen Esparza helped to save James B. Ezell from burning, Fontana, California, October 28, 1986. Ezell, 57, was the sole occupant of a motor home that was struck by an automobile on an interstate highway. The impact caused the motor home to overturn and slide, and fire erupted on its undercarriage. Esparza, 39, real estate broker, witnessed the incident and ran to the motor home. He broke a hole in the windshield and completely entered the vehicle for Ezell. Another man arrived shortly and also entered the motor home. Together they freed Ezell from his seat and carried him through the windshield to safety. Shortly after, the motor home's fuel and propane tanks exploded, engulfing the vehicle in flames. Ezell was hospitalized for injuries received during the crash, and he recovered.

Gerald Marshall Fatula saved Justin S. Beck from burning, Blaine, Ohio, March 12, 1987. Justin, 3, was in the living room of his mother's house when fire erupted on the floor below and filled the house with smoke. Fatula, 26, welder, was driving nearby when he saw smoke coming from the house.

Learning that Justin was still inside, Fatula ran into the living room but withdrew because of the dense smoke, which precluded visibility. Dropping to his knees, he entered a second time and found Justin, then returned outside with him.

61799-7120

Thomas David Finn saved James D. Byrge from drowning, Rock Island, Tennessee, May 3, 1987. James, 16, slipped and fell into the Caney Fork River in an area where whitewater rapids and waterfalls created a strong whirlpool. Hampered by his clothing and the cold water, James shouted for help, then submerged. On the bank nearby, Finn, 30, heavy equipment operator, dived into the river, swam to James, and pulled him to the surface of the water. James panicked as he and Finn were swept around the whirlpool several times, during which Finn kept them from entering whitewater rapids downstream. Three more times Finn retrieved James when he submerged. Finn managed to maneuver to the outer edge of the whirlpool, and when they neared a bank of the river, others extended a limb to them and pulled them from the water. James was hospitalized for five days for hypothermia and water in his system; he recovered. Finn recovered from exhaustion.

61884-7129

Dale Joseph Furlotte helped to rescue Bernard J. LeBlanc from burning, Bathurst, New Brunswick, July 30, 1985. After a highway accident, LeBlanc, 27, was pinned, unconscious, in the driver's seat of his car. Furlotte, 31, mechanic, witnessed the accident, then went to LeBlanc's car and attempted to remove him. Two other men arrived and together they pulled the driver's door partially open. Furlotte leaned into the car and was pulling LeBlanc out when the car's fuel tank exploded, engulfing the car in flames. Furlotte and LeBlanc were thrown out of the car, and the other men were knocked down. Furlotte and the other men returned to the car, grabbed LeBlanc, who was aflame, and pulled him away; they then extinguished his flames. LeBlanc suffered third-degree burns over 65 percent of his body and required extensive hospitalization. Furlotte sustained lesser burns to an eye and finger, and he recovered.

Gregory Lyle Gadsby helped to save Barbara E. Clare from assault, San Francisco, California, June 6, 1986. Miss Clare was working in an office when a man approached and aimed a loaded rifle at her. The assailant, who carried a concealed hatchet also, pulled the trigger several times, but the rifle did not fire. From his desk nearby, Gadsby, 49, office supervisor, ran toward the assailant, who then aimed the rifle at him. Gadsby grabbed the rifle, and a struggle ensued, during which the assailant struck Gadsby in the head several times with the hatchet. The assailant was subdued by other co-workers. Gadsby was treated for cuts on his head, and he recovered.

62023-7133

Wendy L. Gibbons rescued Miles M. Meagher from an attacking bear, Oxford House, Manitoba, June 16, 1986. Meagher, 28, was prospecting in a remote area when a 150-pound black bear charged him, chasing him into a lake. He shouted for help to his co-worker, Mrs. Gibbons, 28, geologist, who was nearby. Mrs. Gibbons approached to within 20 feet of the bear, which had shredded Meagher's clothes. By making noise, she distracted the bear, which then chased her into the lake. The bear went back to Meagher, and again Mrs. Gibbons distracted it, causing it to charge her. She continued to distract the bear from Meagher, allowing him to flee to the other side of the lake. Mrs. Gibbons then swam across the lake to Meagher, and they climbed a tree to await their co-workers, who took them to safety. Meagher sustained puncture wounds and a bite to one of his hands for which he required hospital treatment. He recovered.

Gordon J. Giesbrecht rescued Ronnie J. Hick from burning, Prespatou, British Columbia, August 22, 1984. Hick, 36, was trapped in his seat after the plane in which he and his wife were flying crashed near a remote airstrip. Giesbrecht, 18, farm hand, who had seen the crash, ran to the plane and aided Hick's wife to safety as flames broke out and fed on the plane's fuse-lage and overhead wing. Hick, whose foot was caught, called for help. Despite the flames and intense heat, Giesbrecht returned to the plane, extended his upper body into the cabin, and pulled Hick free. He dragged Hick from the plane shortly before flames increased greatly, engulfing the plane. Hick and his wife were hospitalized for broken bones and burns.

61180-7105

Kevin John Ging helped to save Paul E. Knox from a possible explosion, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 10, 1986. Knox, 28, unconscious, lay buried by rubble in the basement of the residential school where he taught, after an explosion of leaking natural gas. As gas continued to leak into the basement, Ging, 26, physical therapy aid, and another man entered to search for a resident they believed was there. When the other man discovered Knox, he and Ging cleared the debris from him, then carried him out of the basement to safety. Knox required extensive hospitalization for a serious head injury. Ging was treated for smoke inhalation, and he recovered.

61831-7115

Michael A. Gordon saved Daniel T. Roeder from burning, Berrien Springs, Michigan, October 21, 1986. After a highway accident, Roeder, 24, lay pinned by his legs in the cab of an overturned tractor-trailer. Molten aluminum he was hauling spilled, causing fire to break out. After witnessing the accident, Gordon, 22, registered nurse, ran to the cab, reached inside through its broken-out windshield, and moved the steering wheel, allowing Roeder to free one of his legs. Roeder then freed his other leg and, aided by Gordon, crawled out of the cab. As they fled, an explosion occurred, knocking them to the ground. Roeder was hospitalized for a back injury, and Gordon was treated for smoke inhalation, from which he recovered.

Rose M. Griffith died attempting to save Kelleen F. Mattix from drowning, Gladstone, Oregon, June 30, 1984. Miss Mattix, 22, waded into the Clackamas River and lost her footing in the swift current. She struggled to stay afloat and called for help before losing consciousness. A friend, Mrs. Griffith, 26, waitress, was standing on the bank. She entered the water for Miss Mattix and advanced in her direction before she too became caught in the current. Miss Mattix was carried downstream where she was pulled from the water. Mrs. Griffith drowned.

Robert B. Grubbs saved David A., Glenn H., and Judy M. Rhone from burning, Douglasville, Georgia, July 15, 1987. After a highway accident, David, two months old, and his cousin, Glenn, 10 months, were trapped in a burning car that had been driven by David's mother, Mrs. Rhone, 33. Although he was involved in the same accident, Grubbs, 38, insurance sales manager, ran to the burning car and removed David through the opened driver's window. Despite flames on the rear of the car, Grubbs then entered it and attempted to remove Glenn, who was secured in a car seat. Grubbs succeeded in removing Glenn through a side window and carried him away. Returning to the burning car, Grubbs assisted Mrs. Rhone out shortly before the car was engulfed in flames. Mrs. Rhone and the boys required hospital treatment for their injuries.

Thomas M. Harrington saved Jessica M. Stepanek from burning, Chicago, Illinois, February 4, 1985. Jessica, 1, was in her crib in a second-floor bedroom of a house in which fire broke out in the living room. Alerted to the fire by her mother's screams, Harrington, 34, lineman, ran to the house and twice attempted entry on the ground floor only to be turned back by flames and heavy smoke. At the rear of the house, Harrington scaled a one-story room addition and crossed its roof to the window of Jessica's bedroom. After breaking the window, he entered the smoke-filled room and, with no visibility, searched for Jessica, whom he had heard crying. He found Jessica in the crib and removed her through the window, passing her to a man on the ground who then revived her. Jessica was hospitalized for smoke inhalation, and she recovered; Harrington was treated for a cut. 60198-7109

Curtis N. Herring helped to rescue Frances L. Wilson from burning, Linden, California, July 13, 1986. Mrs. Wilson, 51, was the driver of a car that, in an accident, left the highway, overturned in an adjacent field, and caught fire. Herring, 61, retired, heard the crash and went to the scene. Despite suffering a heart ailment, Herring made several attempts to pull Mrs. Wilson from her car, but she was secured by her safety belt. As flames entered the car, Herring cut the safety belt with a pocketknife and maneuvered Mrs. Wilson partway through the driver's window. Another man helped to pull her the remaining distance out of the car and a safe distance away from it. Mrs. Wilson died several hours later. Herring, exhausted, suffered minor burns to his arms, and he recovered.

Timothy Michael Hickey rescued William J. Duval from assault, Toledo, Ohio, October 21, 1985. Duval, 26, was being attacked by several men who were armed with knives and a club. From his nearby apartment, Hickey, 28, writer, saw the assault and ran outside. Although he was unarmed, Hickey ran toward Duval, and when he was within several feet of him, he shouted at the assailants. Two of the assailants turned on Hickey and stabbed him in the side before fleeing. Duval was hospitalized for his wounds. Hickey required extensive hospitalization for his stab wound, a lacerated colon, and he recovered.

John Edward Hutchings saved a man from drowning, Winnipeg, Manitoba, October 6, 1986. Hutchings, 35, accountant, had just driven across a bridge spanning the Assiniboine River when he saw a man floating face down in the river about 150 feet from the bank. Hutchings removed his outer clothing and, despite the cold water, entered the river and swam to the man. Hutchings turned the man over, then swam with him to wadable water, where he attempted to revive him. Crew members from an arriving ambulance took the man to the bank, then to the hospital, where he was treated for hypothermia and detained for 22 days. Hutchings was treated at the hospital for effects of the cold water, and he recovered.

Carnell Johnson rescued Frank A. Porto, Jr., from assault, Oakland, California, October 9, 1985. While walking down the street, Porto, 41, was attacked by two men as their female accomplice threatened him with the car she was driving. Witnessing the assault, Johnson, 29, sanitation engineer, ran to Porto and fought off the two assailants. As Johnson then ran to notify police, the woman in the car drove after him, against traffic, and struck him. Johnson was dragged 300 feet under the car before he rolled clear of it. He was hospitalized in intensive care for severe injuries, some of which were permanent. Porto recovered from multiple injuries.

61363-7107

Mark Evan Jones helped to rescue Sean P. Little from burning, Bradshaw, Maryland, December 10, 1986. Sean, 15, was a passenger in a car which crashed and caught fire on an interstate highway. Jones, 27, draftsman, and his brother approached the scene and stopped. Jones ran to the burning car and leaned through its broken rear window twice in attempts to pull Sean out, but the blistering heat forced him to withdraw each time. Jones's brother arrived, and together they reached through the window, pulled Sean out, and dragged him to safety moments before the car was engulfed in a sudden burst of flame. Jones required hospital treatment for burns to his face and right hand, and he recovered.

Martin T. Jones helped to rescue Sean P. Little from burning, Bradshaw, Maryland, December 10, 1986. Sean, 15, was a passenger in a car which crashed and caught fire on an interstate highway. Jones, 22, draftsman, and his brother approached the scene and stopped. Jones ran to the burning car

and, joining his brother there, leaned through its broken rear window despite blistering heat inside. Together Jones and his brother pulled Sean from the car and dragged him to safety moments before the car was engulfed in a sudden burst of flame. Jones recovered from minor burns to his face and hands.

61561-7135

Clint Edward Kemp helped to rescue Susan M. Elledge from burning, Petaluma, California, July 13, 1985. Following a highway accident, Mrs. Elledge, 32, was trapped beneath the dashboard of a small pickup truck that was covered with debris, some of which was burning. While clearing the debris from the pickup to reach its driver, Kemp, 41, training supervisor, and another man discovered Mrs. Elledge. In rapidly increasing flames and heat, which caused a service revolver in the glove compartment to fire, Kemp and the other man reached through the passenger window and pulled Mrs. Elledge, her hair aflame, from the pickup. The cab was shortly engulfed in flames. Mrs. Elledge was treated for second-degree burns, and she recovered.

Lewis Ed Kerst III saved Christopher M. and Allison A. Johnson from burning, Livermore, California, October 25, 1986. Christopher, 2, and Allison, five months, were in separate bedrooms of their family's one-story bungalow when it caught fire; the house filled with smoke. From adjoining property, Kerst, 31, painter, was attracted to the fire and told of the children's location by their mother, who had escaped to the back steps. Kerst entered the house through a bedroom window and found Christopher. He carried Christopher to the window and passed him outside to safety. Kerst then turned and penetrated the house through a smoke-filled interior hall to Allison's room. In limited visibility, he felt for Allison and found her in her crib. Kerst carried Allison through the hall and back to the window, where he passed her to safety before exiting himself. Both children were treated for smoke inhalation, and they recovered.

Gail L. Kilgore rescued Charles E. Brownson from burning, Willamina, Oregon, January 17, 1987. Brownson, 91, was inside his burning mobile home. Kilgore, 72, a security guard who was employed nearby, ran to the scene when he saw smoke and flames issuing from the trailer. Learning that Brownson was still inside, Kilgore dropped to his hands and knees and crawled into the mobile home. Seeing Brownson, who was disoriented, about 20 feet away, Kilgore crawled to him and pulled him out of the mobile home. Within moments, a portion of the trailer's roof collapsed. Brownson was severely burned and died of his injuries seven months later. Kilgore recovered from minor burns to his arms and ears.

Jonathan David Kinder died attempting to save a woman from drowning, Chester, Pennsylvania, August 16, 1985. When a 34-year-old woman jumped from a bridge into Chester Creek, Kinder, 28, who was nearby, immediately

climbed the railing and dived into the creek after her. He grasped her about the shoulders and attempted to take her to the bank, but she struggled with him. They submerged. Kinder surfaced, shouted for help, then submerged again. Both he and the woman drowned.

60635-7106

Kim L. Kirk saved Doris E. DeHaven from burning, Holt, Michigan, September 9, 1986. Mrs. DeHaven, 77, collapsed after she ran into her burning mobile home to save a pet. Despite thick smoke which obscured visibility, a neighbor, Mrs. Kirk, 29, housewife, entered the mobile home and crawled into the kitchen. Finding Mrs. DeHaven on the floor, Mrs. Kirk grasped her under the arms and dragged her outside to safety. Mrs. DeHaven required hospital treatment for smoke inhalation.

61421-7103

Ernest Lee Krueger helped to save Anne E. Veler from burning, Leavenworth, Washington, October 26, 1985. Anne, 2, was strapped into a child's safety seat in a subcompact car, the front end of which was enveloped in flames after a fatal accident involving another car, which also was aflame. Krueger, 36, contractor, traveling nearby with his brother, stopped at the scene. Unable to open the subcompact's doors because of the flames, Krueger and his brother pulled the car away from the other one. After the brother threw a rock through the rear passenger window, the men were able to unlock and open the passenger door. With flames entering the car, Krueger used his pocketknife to cut Anne free of her safety seat. Aided by his brother, he pulled Anne from the car moments before its fuel tank exploded. Anne recovered from a head injury.

61118-7084

Timothy E. Kusler helped to save James B. Ezell from burning, Fontana, California, October 28, 1986. Ezell, 57, was the sole occupant of a motor home that was struck by an automobile on an interstate highway. The impact caused the motor home to overturn and slide, and fire erupted on its undercarriage. Kusler, 54, hospital administrator, arrived at the scene. He ran to the motor home and completely entered it through a hole in the windshield, joining another motorist inside who had entered for Ezell. Together they freed Ezell from his seat and carried him through the windshield to safety. Shortly after, the motor home's fuel and propane tanks exploded, engulfing the vehicle in flames. Ezell was hospitalized for injuries received during the crash, and he recovered.

Russell S. Lauver saved Jessica L. Eaton from drowning, Altoona, Pennsylvania, June 25, 1987. Jessica, 2, was floating face down in a neighbor's swimming pool. Another neighbor, Lauver, 79, retired railroad supervisor, saw her from his home about 100 feet away. Despite suffering congestive heart disease which severely restricted his activities, Lauver ran to the pool, climbed up several steps to the level of the pool's deck, then reached down,

seized Jessica, and pulled her from the water. Lauver revived Jessica, then left to alert help. Jessica was treated at the hospital, and she fully recovered.

62210-7165

Danh Van Le rescued James E. Williams from assault, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, October 19, 1985. Williams, 47, police officer, was arresting a man in a game room when the man turned on Williams and seized his fully loaded service revolver. The assailant pointed the gun at Williams and pulled the trigger, but the gun did not fire. As Williams struggled with the assailant atop a pool table for control of the gun, Le, 25, telephone company technician, who was watching nearby, jumped onto the table. He pinned the assailant's gun hand to the table, then removed the gun from his grasp. Le jumped from the table with the gun, then, with others, returned to the struggle and helped Williams subdue the assailant.

61160-7086

Yvan Leger helped to rescue Bernard J. LeBlanc from burning, Bathurst, New Brunswick, July 30, 1985. After a highway accident, LeBlanc, 27, was pinned, unconscious, in the driver's seat of his car. Leger, 31, electrician, arrived at the scene shortly after the accident and joined two other men who were attempting to free LeBlanc. Leger and the other men pulled the driver's door partially open, but before they could remove LeBlanc, the car's fuel tank exploded, engulfing the car in flames. LeBlanc was thrown out of the car, and Leger and the other men were knocked to the ground. Leger and the other men returned to the car, grabbed LeBlanc, who was aflame, and pulled him away; they then extinguished the flames. LeBlanc suffered third-degree burns over 65 percent of his body and required extensive hospitalization; Leger sustained minor burns to his arms, and he recovered. 61398-7124

Daniel E. Maher, Jr., saved Eva R. Feagley from burning, Chesapeake, Virginia, September 10, 1986. Eva, seven months old, lay in the back-seat area of a car that had turned onto its side in a highway accident and caught fire. Arriving at the scene, Maher, 33, rental yard manager, learned that Eva was still inside the car. Unable to break the car's rear window by punching and kicking it, Maher backed up several feet, ran toward the car, and hurled himself at the window, breaking it with his shoulder and landing inside. As flames entered the car through the dashboard, Maher searched for Eva and found her, conscious and uninjured. He carried Eva through the rear window to safety, after which the car became fully engulfed in flames. Maher sustained cuts and bruises, and he recovered.

Andrew Wray Mathieson rescued Jane A. Celender from assault, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, February 19, 1986. Mrs. Celender, 39, had just left a hockey game and was standing in a parking lot with Mathieson, 57, investment advisor, and his wife. A man armed with a gun approached them and threatened Mrs. Celender, who was Mathieson's secretary. The man then fired at her, the bullet striking her purse. Mathieson immediately charged

the assailant, who shot him in the chest at point-blank range. Continuing to the assailant, Mathieson tackled him, allowing Mrs. Celender to flee. The assailant shot Mathieson twice more, then retreated and fatally wounded himself. Mathieson was hospitalized for three weeks for treatment of wounds to his right hand, left arm, and right lung, a portion of which had to be removed. 60937-7080

Gail Mazzetti helped to rescue James L. Whitley, Jr., from assault, Houston, Texas, April 20, 1986. Whitley, 26, police officer, was arresting two men outside a restaurant when one of them punched him in the face and the other jumped on his back and took him to the sidewalk. The men kicked Whitley in the head and tried to pull his revolver from its holster. Mrs. Mazzetti, 28, waitress at the restaurant, ran to Whitley and attempted to fight off one of his assailants. Another waitress also ran to the scene and struggled to prevent the other assailant from seizing Whitley's gun. One of the assailants pushed Mrs. Mazzetti aside, then both turned and fled, one on foot and the other in a patrol car. Whitley suffered cuts and bruises, from which he recovered.

Gershom McCaleb died attempting to save Christina L. Jones from drowning, St. Maurice, Louisiana, July 10, 1986. After entering an area of deep, murky water in the Red River to rescue her six-year-old sister, Christina, 10, struggled to stay afloat in the swift current and called out for help. A friend on the nearby bank, Gershom, 15, student, dived into the river, swam to Christina, and supported her briefly before he was pulled away by the current and submerged. He surfaced and grasped a passing limb but then submerged and did not reappear. He drowned. Christina and her sister were rescued by their brother. 61226-7102

Anthony J. Middleton died attempting to save Arthur J. Calkins from drowning, Estacada, Oregon, May 26, 1986. Calkins, 46, was fishing in the Clackamas River when he lost his footing and fell. The swift current carried him downstream. Middleton, 22, landscaper, who was fishing nearby, ran along the bank past the point where Calkins had fallen; he then jumped into the river, swam out to its midpoint, and trod water. He submerged, then surfaced and called for help. He submerged again and drowned, as did Calkins. 61193-7121

Grant Merlin Miller rescued Cheryl K. Hansen from burning, Oakland, California, July 29, 1986. Cheryl, 7, was riding in the front seat of her mother's car when it was struck from behind by a tractor-trailer. The car burst into flames. Arriving at the scene just after the accident, Miller, 43, automobile importer, ran to the burning car and, as flames spread to the front-seat area, reached inside and unfastened Cheryl's seat belt. When Cheryl then moved to the driver's side of the car, Miller circled it and removed her through the driver's window. Flames soon enveloped the car. Cheryl was hospitalized for extensive burns, and she recovered. 61427-7118

Ann Marie Morrison saved Jennifer R. Lepard from burning, Alpena, Michigan, January 16, 1986. Jennifer, 1, was in a crib in an upstairs bedroom of her family's two-story apartment when fire broke out in the kitchen. A family friend who had spent the night in the apartment, Miss Morrison, 22, waitress, was alerted to the fire. As others left the apartment, she ran upstairs past flames nearing the foot of the stairwell and went to Jennifer's bedroom. She picked up Jennifer and returned to the stairs but found them engulfed in flames. Retreating into a second-floor bathroom, Miss Morrison broke out a window and dropped Jennifer to others at ground level. Her clothing aflame, Miss Morrison was overcome by smoke, and she fell through the window. She and Jennifer were hospitalized for serious burns, and they recovered.

Timothy E. Mosher rescued Mana Mashoon from assault, New York, New York, March 4, 1987. At night, Miss Mashoon, 41, was stabbed by a knifewielding assailant who had gained entry to her apartment. She screamed for help. Her neighbor, Mosher, 35, film writer, heard her screams and ran to the apartment. He entered and began to struggle with the assailant, allowing Miss Mashoon to escape. During the struggle, Mosher was stabbed in the chest. The assailant fled. Miss Mashoon and Mosher were hospitalized in critical condition for their extensive injuries. Mosher recovered.

61776-7157

Walter D. Nesseler rescued David W. and Betty J. McClanahan from burning, Andalusia, Illinois, February 3, 1986. McClanahan, 53, and his wife, 58, lay badly burned in the kitchen of their home after a natural gas explosion wracked the house and set it aflame. A neighbor, Nesseler, 59, retired drawbridge operator, heard the explosion and ran to the house, where he was thwarted from entering the living room by a wall of flames. Hearing screams, Nesseler opened the door of an attached garage and crawled through dense smoke to the house's kitchen door. In the intense heat of the kitchen, which was aflame, Nesseler located McClanahan and dragged him into the garage, where he was aided by another man in removing McClanahan outside. Nesseler re-entered the garage and went back to the kitchen, where he found Mrs. McClanahan further inside. He removed her through the garage. Mr. and Mrs. McClanahan were hospitalized; Mrs. McClanahan died four days later, and McClanahan, nine days later, from their burns. Nesseler was treated for smoke inhalation, and he recovered. 60956-7092

Wade R. Nolan died attempting to save Jamie C. Murphy from drowning, Kelligrews, Newfoundland, August 20, 1984. Jamie, 6, slipped from a wooden footbridge into a deep, cold stream that emptied into a small reservoir. Wade,

9, student, dived from the bridge after Jamie and swam to him, reaching him in the 10-foot-deep water of the reservoir. Jamie panicked, and in an ensuing struggle, both boys submerged and did not reappear. They drowned.

61217-7098

Terry P. Norwood died attempting to save Allen D. Dyer and James K. Graham from burning, Princeton, Arkansas, April 13, 1986. At night, fire broke out in a house occupied by Allen, 10, James, 14, and other family members, including Norwood, 23, heavy equipment operator. All but Allen and James escaped to the back porch; there, Norwood apparently realized that not everyone had made it to safety. He returned inside the house, which was soon engulfed in flame. The bodies of Norwood, Allen, and James were found in the boys' bedroom.

61115-7174

Thorman Olson rescued Lyla B. Stoike from assault, Lyle, Minnesota, May 16, 1986. Mrs. Stoike, 49, had called the nearby residence of Thorman Olson, 74, retired farmer, and, while conversing with Olson's wife, discovered that a window had been removed from her door. She told Olson's wife that she feared an intruder was present. A man, who had been hiding in another room, then confronted Mrs. Stoike with a rifle. Olson, informed by his wife of the break-in, went to Mrs. Stoike's residence to check on her. Despite warnings by Mrs. Stoike, Olson entered the house and struggled with the gunman. He was shot in the foot. Olson gained possession of the rifle, but the gunman then produced a pistol, with which he shot Olson three more times. Mrs. Stoike fled, as did the gunman. Olson was hospitalized for 10 days and underwent surgery; after a short stay at home, he returned to the hospital for additional treatment. He recovered.

David C. Parker, Jr., saved Juan Jimerson from drowning, Fort Walton Beach, Florida, March 11, 1986. Jimerson, 20, struggled to remain afloat after he was pulled by a strong undertow into deep water of the Gulf of Mexico. David, 16, high school student, who was on the beach, immediately entered the water and swam the 300 feet through large waves to Jimerson, who was semiconscious. Reaching Jimerson as he submerged, David dived, surfaced with him, and took him to shore, having to fight the undertow en route. Jimerson was hospitalized for three days, and he recovered.

61298-7089

Joseph C. Pavlik II helped to save Blanche Brown and Elizabeth A. Beauchamp from drowning, Taylor, Texas, May 29, 1987. Mrs. Brown, 78, and Mrs. Beauchamp, 41, were in a car that stalled on a road flooded by the rapidly rising waters of Mustang Creek. Driving in the vicinity, Pavlik, 42, antique refinisher, saw the women and waded to them. He helped Mrs. Brown from the car moments before it was carried away by the current. The current took also Pavlik and the two women downstream into deep water. They were carried 1,800 feet into partially submerged trees, to which they clung for more than an hour until they were rescued by firemen. Mrs. Brown

and Mrs. Beauchamp both required treatment for their injuries, from which they recovered. Pavlik sustained cuts and bruises, and he too recovered.

62037-7139

Darryl F. Pearcey helped to save Cory F. Scott from drowning, Holyrood, Newfoundland, July 27, 1985. Attempting to swim to shore, Cory, 10, floundered in the deep water of Southwest Pond after jumping from a raft that was drifting away from the beach. Darryl, 13, student, who was also on the raft, dived into the water and swam to Cory when he saw him struggling. Towing Cory by an arm, Darryl began to swim toward shore. Cory panicked and submerged Darryl several times. A lifeguard swam to the boys and took Cory the rest of the way in, as Darryl made it to safety on his own. Cory was treated for hypothermia, and Darryl was exhausted, but both recovered.

James A. Phillips saved Nancy L. Hager and helped to save Paul E. Knox from a possible explosion, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 10, 1986. Miss Hager, 33, and Knox, 28, were trapped in the basement of the residential school where they taught, after an explosion of leaking natural gas. As gas continued to leak into the basement, Phillips, 35, maintenance supervisor, and another man entered to search for a resident they believed was there. Phillips heard Miss Hager's cries, then freed her from the classroom in which she was trapped by debris. She fled. Phillips then discovered Knox buried under a pile of rubble. After clearing the debris from him, Phillips and the other man carried Knox out of the basement to safety. Knox required extensive hospitalization for a serious head injury. Phillips was treated for smoke inhalation, and he recovered.

Jack J. Pierce rescued Donnel J. Marion from burning, Pittsburg, California, July 16, 1986. Marion, 42, was in his second-floor apartment when an explosion occurred and set fire to the apartment. Pierce, 38, maintenance man, ran to the apartment, opened the door, and shouted for Marion. Hearing him, Pierce entered the apartment, the walls and ceiling of which were aflame. Despite the intense heat, Pierce penetrated the apartment for about 25 feet, finding Marion in his bedroom. Pierce then seized Marion and dragged him from the apartment. Marion was hospitalized for burns. Pierce required hospital treatment for smoke inhalation, and he recovered.

Victor Preller helped to save Phillip L. Clark from drowning, Bald Knob, Arkansas, February 28, 1987. Phillip, 9, was a passenger in a pickup truck that was swept from a bridge into flood waters of Glaze Creek. He was carried downstream by the swift current but established a hold on a tree limb. Preller, 30, construction laborer, and another man heard Phillip's cries for help. As the other man swam to Phillip and returned with him toward the bridge, Preller, a non-swimmer, waded into the creek in the darkness. Approaching

the other man to assist with Phillip, Preller lost contact with the bottom of the creek as the other man passed Phillip to him. Preller maneuvered back to wadable water, then carried Phillip to dry land, the other man following. Phillip required hospital treatment for hypothermia but recovered.

62311-7170

Nicholas P. Provost helped to save Anne E. Veler from burning, Leavenworth, Washington, October 26, 1985. Anne, 2, was strapped into a child's safety seat in a subcompact car, the front end of which was enveloped in flames after a fatal accident involving another car, which also was aflame. Provost, 38, pharmacist, traveling nearby with his brother, stopped at the scene. Unable to open the subcompact's doors because of the flames, Provost and his brother pulled the car away from the other one. Provost then threw a rock through the rear passenger window, which enabled him and his brother to unlock and open the passenger door. With flames entering the car, Provost and his brother worked Anne free of her safety seat and pulled her from the car moments before its fuel tank exploded, knocking Provost down. Anne recovered from a head injury.

61117-7083

Gregory P. Robertson rescued Debra L. Williams from falling, Coolidge, Arizona, April 18, 1987. Miss Williams, 31, and five other parachutists jumped from an airplane at an altitude of 13,500 feet. Their loadmaster, Robertson, 35, engineer, also jumped. Shortly into the fall, Miss Williams collided with one of the other parachutists and was rendered unconscious. Falling, Robertson witnessed the accident. In order to get to Miss Williams as soon as possible, he went into a dive, risking the possibility of falling too low to open his own parachute in time. Robertson reached Miss Williams, pulled the rip cord of her reserve parachute, and pushed her away. The parachute opened, and Miss Williams fell safely to the ground. At an altitude of about 2,200 feet, or 13 seconds from the ground, Robertson then opened his own parachute, and he too landed safely. Miss Williams was hospitalized for her extensive injuries, from which she recovered.

61879-7181

Terry L. Robinson rescued Douglas R. and Daniel C. Holloway from burning, Norfolk, Virginia, April 20, 1987. Douglas, 6, and Daniel, 13, were in their family's second-floor apartment when fire broke out in the kitchen. A neighbor, Robinson, 23, construction laborer, was alerted to the fire; he ran to the apartment and, with help from another man, climbed into a second-floor bedroom window. Crouching low amidst thick smoke, Robinson found Douglas on the floor and carried him to the window. He lowered Douglas to persons on the ground. Despite limited visibility and nearby flames, Robinson penetrated the apartment again, located Daniel, and dragged him to the window, where he too was lowered to the others below. Robinson then climbed out the window and down to the ground. Douglas and Daniel were hospitalized for their injuries, from which Douglas later died. 61890-7156

Teresa Rossiter saved Vera C. Keller from burning, Massillon, Ohio, April 21, 1987. Mrs. Keller, 96, was asleep in her second-floor bedroom when a building adjacent to her house caught fire. Flames spread to Mrs. Keller's house. A neighbor, Mrs. Rossiter, 26, housewife, discovered the fire and ran to Mrs. Keller's back door. She broke into the house, ran upstairs, and entered Mrs. Keller's bedroom and awoke her. When the women attempted to flee the house, thick smoke forced them back into the bedroom. Mrs. Rossiter then climbed through a window onto the roof of the house's front porch. As she was helping Mrs. Keller through the window, firefighters arrived and rescued both women from the roof.

Jackie L. Rowan rescued Andrew J. Hester from burning, Garland, Texas, December 4, 1986. Andrew, 2, lay in his crib when fire erupted in an adjacent room. His mother attempted to enter Andrew's room for him, but she was repulsed by heavy smoke. She ran outside and screamed for help. Working in the area, Rowan, 42, contractor, heard her cries and ran to the scene. He climbed through a window into Andrew's bedroom and, despite heavy smoke which precluded visibility, crawled to Andrew's crib and lifted him out. Guided by the sound of voices outside, Rowan crawled back to the window and handed Andrew out to the others. Rowan then dived out the window to safety. Andrew was hospitalized overnight for minor burns, from which he recovered.

Constance Hall Ruhling rescued Janet A. Fuller from assault, Fort Valley, Georgia, May 22, 1986. Mrs. Fuller, 24, was chased by a man armed with a butcher knife into a restroom of a day care center; there, the man stabbed her in the abdomen. Mrs. Ruhling, 53, director of the center, immediately entered the restroom, where she grabbed the knife and threw it aside. Although she was greatly outweighed by the assailant, Mrs. Ruhling began to struggle with him as he choked Mrs. Fuller. The assailant turned on Mrs. Ruhling, biting her arm severely, then resumed choking Mrs. Fuller. Mrs. Ruhling repeatedly struck the assailant on the head with her shoe, causing him to desist. Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Ruhling both required hospital treatment for their injuries, from which they recovered.

Ronald Louis Sancho saved Charles E. Dixon from suffocation, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, April 11, 1986. Dixon, 32, was driving a tanker truck carrying more than 5,000 gallons of hydrochloric acid when it was involved in a highway accident. The truck overturned, and the acid leaked from the tanker and formed a cloud of noxious vapor. Thrown from the truck, Dixon, his pelvis broken, lay in the vapor cloud. Sancho, 20, college student, came upon the scene and, entering the vapor, went to the cab of the truck to look for Dixon. Hearing Dixon moan, Sancho further penetrated the vapor cloud, which irritated his eyes and lungs and precluded visibility. He found Dixon, and, although Dixon outweighed him, he picked him up and carried him out of

the cloud. Dixon required hospitalization for his injuries, and Sancho suffered inflammation of the membranes of his eyes, lungs, and pharynx. He recovered. 61364-7126

Jeffrey A. Smart helped to save Richard D. DeMoura, Sr., from assault, Boston, Massachusetts, May 6, 1986. DeMoura, 54, was sitting in his parked truck when a man armed with a handgun opened the door, got inside, and demanded the keys to the vehicle. When DeMoura refused, the gunman threatened to kill him. From his truck parked nearby, DeMoura's son ran to help his father, as did Smart, 25, carpenter. Smart grabbed the gunman from behind and wrestled with him. The gunman shot Smart in the abdomen, then fired at DeMoura and his son but missed. He fled. Smart was hospitalized for his gunshot wound, and he recovered. 61150-7090

Andrew T. Spence died attempting to save Vance F. Wesley from drowning, Port Simpson, British Columbia, June 26, 1986. Vance, 7, fell from a wharf into a bay of the Pacific Ocean and called for help. Andrew, 16, high school student, who was nearby on the wharf, removed his shoes and jumped into the water for Vance. Vance held onto Andrew, and both submerged. They were later located by a diver, but attempts to resuscitate them were unsuccessful.

61978-7166

V. Edgar Stanley saved Jeremiah D. Jensen from burning, Rochester, Indiana, May 1, 1986. Jeremiah, 1, was in a playpen in the living room of his family's home when fire broke out in the couch. Driving nearby, Stanley, 43, banker, saw the flames and stopped; he alerted Jeremiah's parents, who, trapped on the second floor, told him that Jeremiah was on the first floor. Stanley entered the smoke-filled house twice; dense smoke forced him to crawl as he advanced toward Jeremiah's cries. On his second entry, Stanley found Jeremiah and removed him to the outside. Jeremiah's parents and another son escaped through a second-floor window. Jeremiah was uninjured, but Stanley was treated for smoke inhalation. He recovered.

61162-7070

Harold M. Starkey died attempting to help save Brandon W. McDaniel and Carl J. Parker, Jr., from drowning, Uhrichsville, Ohio, July 8, 1987. Brandon, 15, and Carl, 14, were struggling in turbulent water at the base of a weir in Big Stillwater Creek. Starkey, 60, auto parts salesman, ran to the creek from his nearby home. He waded into the creek and began to swim toward Brandon and Carl, as did his nephew, who had arrived at the scene. Starkey and his nephew swam to within 10 feet of Brandon before they submerged in the rough water. They drowned, as did Carl. Brandon was rescued by others.

Richard Jon Starkey died attempting to help save Brandon W. McDaniel and Carl J. Parker, Jr., from drowning, Uhrichsville, Ohio, July 8, 1987. Brandon, 15, and Carl, 14, were struggling in turbulent water at the base of a weir in Big Stillwater Creek. Starkey, 25, auto parts salesman who was working nearby, ran to the scene. He waded into the creek and began to swim toward Brandon and Carl, as did his uncle, who had arrived from his nearby home. Starkey and his uncle swam to within 10 feet of Brandon before they submerged in the rough water. They drowned, as did Carl. Brandon was rescued by others.

Richard W. Stock saved Jarred F. Preston from burning, Tyler, Texas, March 27, 1986. In a highway accident, Jarred, eight months old, was pinned in the rear seat of a car driven by his mother. Gasoline from the car's fuel tank flowed onto the highway as a man tried to free Jarred from the passenger side; when the gasoline ignited, the man was set aflame. Stock, 35, then ran to the driver's side of the car and, despite flames feeding on the rear of the car, entered and freed Jarred. He emerged from the car with Jarred and carried him to safety.

61500-7094

Sherry Clamp Stone saved Colie W. Miller from being struck by a runaway automobile, Donalds, South Carolina, January 27, 1987. Miller, 68, parked his car and left it running in the lot of a small store. The car suddenly began to move backward in widening circles that took it onto a highway and close to the store's gasoline pumps. When Miller ran to stop the car, he was knocked down and run over. He lay in the path of the car. Having seen the accident from inside the store, Mrs. Stone, 36, contractor, ran outside, intercepted the car, and opened its passenger door. The door struck her, but Mrs. Stone threw herself forward onto the car's floorboard. With her hand, she applied the brakes, and the car stopped just short of Miller. Miller recovered from a broken rib, and Mrs. Stone from minor bruises.

61741-7160

Dale Eric Temple rescued Monica J. Sanders from assault, Abington, Pennsylvania, March 14, 1986. Miss Sanders, 20, was walking alongside a road when a man who had been driving nearby got out of his car and began to strike her with a hatchet. Temple, 19, college student, who was also driving nearby, saw the assault. He shouted at the assailant, but the assailant ignored him. As the assault continued, Temple got out of his car and ran toward the assailant. Just before Temple could reach him, the assailant fled. Temple drove Miss Sanders to the hospital, where she was detained for treatment of her extensive injuries, which included broken facial bones.

61161-7081

B. Michael Thompson died attempting to save three men from drowning, Louisbourg, Nova Scotia, August 21, 1986. Three men shouted for help after they were caught by a strong, outflowing current off the beach at Kennington Cove in the Atlantic Ocean. Nearby, Thompson, 18, college student, was

alerted to their predicament. He ran into the water and began to swim toward the men before he himself was swept into the current and pulled seaward, past the victims. The three men were saved by others, but Thompson drowned.

61790-7136

David Ubiles helped to rescue Luz H. Florez from an attacking shark, Sanibel, Florida, October 4, 1986. Luz, 7, was wading in the Gulf of Mexico with her mother and Ubiles, 27, administrative assistant, when a shark bit her leg and pulled her under water. Ubiles grabbed Luz's hands and was pulled off his feet. He then attempted to pull Luz out of the water, but the shark maintained its bite on her leg and shook her. Ubiles and Luz's mother then placed their hands in the shark's mouth to attempt to pry it open. Another man joined them in their attempt to fight off the shark. Shortly, the shark released its grip on Luz, and Ubiles pulled her free. Carrying Luz, he ran with her mother to shore. Luz was hospitalized for severe injuries to her leg. Ubiles required sutures for a cut thumb, in which a tendon was severed.

Dan Smith Vail died attempting to save Mabel R. Vail from burning, Booneville, Mississippi, December 21, 1985. Mrs. Vail, 68, was asleep in a first-floor bedroom of her house when fire broke out in a nearby utility room and spread. All other occupants of the house, including Mrs. Vail's son, Dan Smith Vail, 34, retail manager, were able to escape. When Mrs. Vail did not emerge from the house, Vail broke out a window to her smoke-filled bedroom and crawled through it. Firemen later found their bodies in the the bedroom; both had died of smoke inhalation.

60847-7112

Darrell Van Etten, Sr., saved Marlin E. Morgan, Jr., from burning, Hamburg, Pennsylvania, December 23, 1986. Morgan, 46, was rendered unconscious in a highway accident during which his car caught fire. Van Etten, 45, production foreman, who was nearby, ran to the car and, with the help of his daughter, opened the driver's door. Despite intense heat and flames which were filling the car's interior, Van Etten extended his upper body into the car, grasped Morgan, and pulled him out. As Van Etten dragged Morgan away, the car was completely engulfed in flames. Morgan was treated at a hospital for minor burns and injuries; he recovered. Van Etten also recovered from minor burns.

Alejandro S. Verdejo rescued Mathew E. Nunez from a runaway automobile, Redlands, California, December 19, 1985. Mathew, 2, stood on the front seat of a running, driverless automobile as it traveled downhill on a city street toward a busy intersection. With the car's speed increasing, Verdejo, 25, letter carrier, chased the car for about 100 feet, or until he caught up to it. Running alongside the car, Verdejo opened the driver's door, then jumped inside and applied the brakes, stopping the car just short of the intersection.

David Walker helped to save Donald W. Hutchinson from drowning, Concordia, Kansas, April 15, 1987. Hutchinson, 64, drove across a bridge spanning Buffalo Creek, which had flooded the area. A swift current pushed his vehicle off the road and into deeper water, where it began to sink. From a distance, Walker, 25, farm laborer, and another man had been watching Hutchinson cross; when he disappeared from view, they went to the scene and saw that his vehicle was almost submerged. Although he was a poor swimmer, Walker dived into the creek and, struggling against the current, swam 30 feet to the vehicle. With an ax thrown by the other man, Walker broke the vehicle's rear window, reached inside, and pulled Hutchinson out. The other man then threw a rope to Walker, and Walker tied it to Hutchinson's waist. The other man pulled Hutchinson to dry land, then threw the rope to Walker and pulled him in, as well. Hutchinson and Walker were chilled and exhausted, but they recovered.

Kyle Davis Warner rescued Brenda L. Simpson from assault, Seattle, Washington, May 24, 1985. At the restaurant where she worked, Miss Simpson, 20, was forced at gunpoint into a car by a man who then sped off with her. Witnessing the abduction, Warner, 30, landscaper, followed in his truck. After finding the car stopped in the middle of a street, Warner saw the abductor on the sidewalk holding the gun to Miss Simpson's head. He approached, slowly, in his truck. When Miss Simpson broke and ran, Warner opened the driver's door of his truck and shouted for her. Miss Simpson leapt into the truck, but as Warner pulled away, the abductor stepped to the running board and threatened Warner with the gun. Warner accelerated the truck, throwing the abductor to the street. The abductor fired at the truck, but missed, as Warner sped Miss Simpson to safety.

60949-7085

Robert B. Washam saved Richard J. Campo from drowning, Stuart, Florida, September 6, 1986. Richard, 16, was the driver of a car that, in a highway accident, left a bridge and submerged, upside down, in the 12-foot-deep water of the Indian River. Unable to escape the car, Richard was rendered unconscious. Driving nearby just after the accident, Washam, 30, environmental health director, ran to the water's edge, jumped in, and swam 100 feet to where the car had sunk. Hampered by poor visibility and a strong current, Washam dived several times to the car before he was able to open its passenger door. Reaching inside to his waist, he seized Richard and pulled him out. Washam surfaced with Richard and, with others, took him to the bank. Richard was revived, and, after hospitalization, he recovered.

61347-7088

Brian E. Weldon saved David Schiller from drowning, Tamarac, Florida, July 7, 1987. Schiller, 67, was trapped in his car after it left the highway, entered a canal, and began to sink. Witnessing the accident, Weldon, 25, ran to the canal and saw Schiller inside the car. Weldon immediately dived into the

canal and swam to the car. He grasped Schiller's hand through an open window and held it as the car submerged and came to rest on the floor of the canal. With no visibility under water, Weldon entered the car to his waist, grasped Schiller, and pulled him out of the car through the window. They surfaced, and Weldon then swam, Schiller in tow, to the bank, where others helped to remove Schiller from the canal. Schiller was hospitalized for his injuries.

62222-7159

Gary L. Wells helped to rescue Valerie M. Allen from assault, Tacoma, Washington, March 21, 1987. At night, Miss Allen, 23, was being attacked in a parking lot by a man armed with a knife. Wells, 36, stockbroker, heard her scream and, accompanied by another man, ran to where the assailant had pinned Miss Allen to the ground and was attempting to stab her. While the other man confronted the assailant, Wells moved in, pulled Miss Allen out of the assailant's reach, and led her away. The assailant fled in his pickup truck after attempting to run down Miss Allen and her rescuers. Miss Allen required hospital treatment for a stab wound, and she recovered.

62476-7173

Columbus White, Jr., rescued Antonio G. Castelo from burning, Santa Clara, California, September 10, 1986. Castelo, 54, lay in the fiberglass cab of an overturned and burning utility cart after a highway accident. Working nearby, White, 53, laborer, ran to the cart, and, despite flames feeding on it and intense heat, he extended himself partially through one of the cart's windows, grasped Castelo under the arms, and pulled him out. He dragged Castelo away from the cart as it was quickly engulfed in flames. Castelo was hospitalized for second-degree burns and other injuries. 61389-7141

Parker K. Wiemers saved Fred T. Dumas from being struck by an airplane, Marfa, Texas, December 22, 1984. Dumas, 82, lay on the pavement of an airport after being struck by a small, pilotless airplane, which was traveling out of control in circles. From an office nearby, Wiemers, 18, high school student, a part-time employee of the airport, saw Dumas lying in the path of the plane. He immediately ran to Dumas, reaching him between revolutions of the plane. He grabbed Dumas's arm and dragged him out of the path of the plane seconds before the plane returned. Dumas required treatment for cuts.

61244-7131

Albert B. Williams rescued Yetta Harris from assault, Rolling Meadows, Illinois, December 17, 1986. Mrs. Harris, 67, and her husband were attacked in their apartment by a man armed with a knife. A next-door neighbor, Williams, 77, retired chef, heard Mrs. Harris scream and went to the apartment. He entered, grasped the assailant, and pulled him away from Mrs. Harris. The assailant slashed Williams with his knife, then threw him onto a table. As the attacker approached Williams, another neighbor entered the apartment, causing the assailant to flee. Mrs. Harris required hospitaliza-

tion for her extensive stab wounds. Williams was treated for his knife wounds and a broken rib, and he recovered. 61589-7143

Mary S. Wilson rescued Deanna M. Torres from assault, Lakewood, California, July 17, 1985. Miss Torres, 21, was fleeing in an alley from a man aiming a double-barreled shotgun at her. Mrs. Wilson, 32, secretary, witnessed the scene from her car when she turned into the alley. Driving past the gunman, Mrs. Wilson, who was accompanied by her daughter, stopped her car beside Miss Torres just as the gunman fired, striking Miss Torres in the back, neck, and head. Mrs. Wilson and her daughter aided the wounded woman into the back seat of their car as the gunman fired a second time, hitting the car. Mrs. Wilson rushed Miss Torres to a hospital, where she was treated for her wounds.

Gerald Kazuo Yanaba died attempting to save Tina S. Jung from drowning, Bodega Bay, California, November 22, 1986. Miss Jung, 28, was fishing from a Pacific Ocean beach with a friend, Yanaba, 34, budget administrator. When a wave carried Miss Jung's fishing pole into the water, she attempted to retrieve it but was carried into the ocean by another wave. Miss Jung called for help. Yanaba waded into the ocean and swam to Miss Jung, but they were shortly separated. Rescue personnel pulled Miss Jung, who was unconscious, from the ocean, but she could not be revived. Yanaba could not be located and was presumed to have drowned also.

61562-7128

Edward K. Yellman, Jr., rescued Beverley C. Fritsche from a runaway automobile, Alexandria, Virginia, May 20, 1986. Attempting to stop her car, which was moving in reverse at a service station, Mrs. Fritsche, 80, was knocked down onto its front seat. She held to the steering wheel as her left leg was dragged along the pavement. As the car, out of control, crossed the parking lot of an adjacent shopping center, Yellman, 29, service station attendant, ran after it. He threw his upper body through the driver's door and turned off the ignition, then disengaged the gear. The car stopped just short of a plate glass window of a storefront. Mrs. Fritsche recovered from leg injuries.

John William Zaelit died attempting to save Curtis H. Miya from drowning, Salt Lake City, Utah, August 15, 1986. Curtis, 2, was spilled into the water of the Jordan River at the base of a dam after the canoe in which he, his father, and two others had been riding overturned. Zaelit, 31, mechanic, had been watching from a point nearby. He immediately jumped into the river and swam toward Curtis. Curtis's father grasped Curtis and swam with him to the bank. Zaelit submerged. He was recovered later from the river near the dam but could not be revived.

62076-7180

1987 Award statistics

Medals

In 1987, one hundred and twelve Carnegie Medals were awarded, bringing the total to 7,181 since the Fund was established in 1904. To date, the Commission has considered 62,678 rescue acts.

Especially do we remember those who gave their lives saving or attempting to save others. During 1987, seventeen such sacrifices were honored, bringing the total to date to 1,487:

Kelli Lea Brooks
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Gershom McCaleb
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For continuing support of widows, widowers, and other dependents, and disabled heroes Monetary awards, including educational assistance, and medals

1987	To date
\$236,395	\$10,782,376
316,590	6,240,870
\$552,985	\$17,023,246

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